REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995.

See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

Application Number	09/876,645
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First Named Inventor	Mingqiu Sun
Group Art Unit	2195
Examiner Name	Kenneth Tang
Attorney Docket Number	884.439US1
Customer No.	21186

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR § 1.114 of the above-identified application entitled

<u>FAULT-TOLERANT SYSTEM AND METHODS WITH TRUSTED MESSAGE ACKNOWLEDGMENT (AS AMENDED).</u>

Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- 1. Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on .
- 2. __ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on .
- 3. X Supplemental Amendment and Response Under 37 CFR § 1.116 (14 pages) is enclosed.
- 4. _ New power of attorney (pages) is enclosed.
- 5. _ Information Disclosure Statement is enclosed (pages), with:
 - a. Form 1449 (_pages)
 - b. Copies of IDS Citations ()
- 6. X Please charge Deposit Account 19-0743 in the amount of \$790.00 to pay the RCE filing fee required under C.F.R. § 1.17(e).
- 7. X The Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit overpayments or charge any fees set forth in 37 CFR §§ 1.16 through 1.18 to Deposit Account No. 19-0743.
- 8. X Petition for Extension of Time in the prior application (1 page) is enclosed along with authorization to charge Deposit Account 19-0743 in the amount of \$330.00 to pay the extension fee.

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